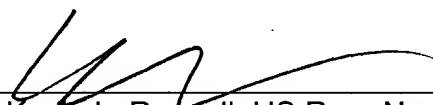


REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The Specification has been corrected in accordance with the Examiners request. Claims 1 and 4 have been amended. The drawings have been corrected on sheet 1, 4, 5, 9, and 10. The applicant respectfully requests that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case. If the Examiner believes that for any reason direct contact with applicant's attorney would advance the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number below.

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